CHARLES by the Grace of God King of great Britaine, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To ~~our Lovits~~ Messengers, our Sheriffs in that part, conjunctly and severally specially constitute greeting. Forsomuch as our Lieges and Subjects are heavily oppresst and burdened with exorbitant annuals and interest taken for the use of money, far exceeding the rate and proportion taken in our Kingdome of England, France, and other neighbour Countries, Wherefore We, out of Our gracious goodnesse, with consent of Our three Estates conveened in this present Parliament, have reduced the interest and profit of money from ten of the hundred to eight. Therefore our said Estates of Parliament presently conveened, being sensible of the great good ensuing thereby to this whole Kingdome in all time to come, Have made one voluntarie and humble offer to Us, that of the said ten payd by Borrowers for ilk hundred (during the space of three yeares next ensuing) Two shall be payd to us during the said space (by and attowr the twentieth pennie presently paid to Us in this present running Taxation) And that for the termes of Martinmasse next, one thousand six hundred thirtie three years: and Whitsunday, one thousand six hundred thirtie four years. And by and attowr the sixteenth penny of the extraordinarie taxation now presently granted to us in this our present Parliament, to begin at Martinmasse, one thousand six hundred thirtie four years. And ordains the Lenners to pay the same yearly and termly, during the said space of three years, Together and in one sum with the twentieth pennie of this present running extraordinarie taxation for the said terme of Martinmasse next, one thousand six hundred thirtie three years, And Whitsunday, one thousand six hundred thirtie four years. And together and in one summe with the sixteenth penny of the extraordinarie taxation granted in this present Parliament for the termes of Martinmasse, one thousand six hundred thirtie foure yeares: Whitsunday and Martinmasse, one thousand six hundred thirtie five years; And Whitsunday, one thousand six hundred thirtie six years. Beginning the first termes payment of the said two of ten at the said Feast and terme of Martinmasse next, and so termly thereafter during the said space of three years and six termes. And whereas We and Our saids Estates have authorised all and sundry heritable Sheriffs, Stewards, Bayliffs, ~~and~~ Bayliffs of regalities, and their deputes, And the Provest and Bayliffs of free Burrowes within the bounds of their jurisdictions, as likewise the Clerkes within the jurisdictions where these offices are not heritable (which Clerkes have their offices *ad vitam*) To collect the said Taxation of Two markes upon every tenne of annuall, And to make payment thereof to our Collector generall to be appointed by us for receiving of the same. Therefore, and for inbringing of the ~~first~~ termes payment of the said Taxation, our other letters are direct, charging all and sundry heritable Sheriffs, Stewards, Bayliffs, and Bayliffs of regalities, their deputes and clerkes, And the Provest and Bayliffs of free Burrowes, and their Clerkes, As likewise the Clerks within the jurisdictions, where these offices are not heritable, that they and every one of them dwelling by North the River of Dee, within the space of fifteen dayes after the said terme of Martinmas in the yeare of God, one thousand six hundred thirty ~~three~~ And that they and every one of them dwelling by South the River of Dee, within the space of ten daies after the said terme, deliver to ~~of~~ Our Collector generall appointed by Us for receiving of the said Taxation, a true and just accompt and inventar of the whole summes of money due to bee payd by any person within the bounds of their jurisdictions, for his part of the said Taxation, And that they give up the same accompt and inventar upon their oathes solemnly sworne, that the same is just and true, And make payment to our said Collector generall, or to his Deputes in his name, having his power to receive the same, of the whole moneys due to be payd to us, conforme to the said accompt and inventar, for the said ~~first~~ termes payment of the said Taxation. Within twentie dayes after the terme of Martinmas in the yeare of God, one thousand six hundred thirtie ~~three~~ years, under the paine of rebellion, and putting them to our horne, for whose reliefe,

OUR WILL is, and we charge you straitly and command, that incontinent these our Letters seene, ye passe, and in our Name and Authoritie command and charge all and sundrie the said anwelrenters dwelling within that our ~~Shirefdome~~ To make payment to you our said ~~Provost Bailies~~ and your deputs, of the said two of ten of all annuall rents ~~yearly~~ due and payable to them, As for the said ~~first~~ termes payment of the said Taxation, within twentie dayes next after they be charged by you thereto, under the paine of rebellion, and putting of them to our horne. And if they failye, the said twentie dayes being by-past, that ye incontinent thereafter denounce the disobeyers our rebels, and put them to our horne, and escheat, and inbring all their moveable goods to our use for their contemption. And if neede be, that ye our said ~~provost~~ poynd and distrenzie therefore, as ye shall think most expedient, according to justice, as ye will answer to us thereupon. The which to doe we commit to you conjunctly and severally Our full power, by these our Letters, delivering them by you duely execute and indorsed againe to the Bearer. Given under our Signet at Edinburgh the twentie eight day of June, and of our reigne the ninth year. 1633.

Per actum Parliamenti.